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Xavier FORCEVILLE et al.

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USE OF SELENIUM FOR TREATING PATIENTS SUFFERING FROM SYSTEMIC INFLAMMATORY RESPONSE SYNDROME (SIRS), AND COMPOSITION FOR IMPLEMENTING THE TREATMENT

REQUEST FOR INITIALED PTO-1449

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is requested that the Form PTO-1449 (copy enclosed) attached to the Information Disclosure Statement previously filed on February 28, 2001, as evidenced by the accompanying postcard receipt, be initialed by the Examiner and returned to the undersigned attorney in his next Official Action.

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